

## NEWS RELEASE

## **Loveland Police Department**

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## LOVELAND POLICE INVESTIGATE ARSON ATTEMPT

**LOVELAND** –On Thursday, January 19, 2023, shortly before midnight, Loveland Fire Rescue Authority received an alarm to Abiding Love Lutheran Church, 2825 E 1<sup>st</sup> St.

Upon arrival, LFRA located a broken window at the front entrance of the church. A very small fire was extinguished immediately, with minimal damage and no injuries. Loveland Police Department was contacted to assist.

Upon search of the church, evidence of a second fire was found in the basement; however, the automatic sprinklers extinguished this fire causing slight damage.

We are in the preliminary stages of this active investigation. When further details emerge, we will provide updates.

Anyone with additional information about this case is asked to contact Detective Danyel McGraw with the Criminal investigations Unit at 970-962-2258 or <a href="mailto:Danyel.McGraw@cityofloveland.org">Danyel.McGraw@cityofloveland.org</a>.

Anyone wishing to remain anonymous may call Crime Stoppers of Larimer County at (970) 221-6868 or click here: <u>Tip Form (p3tips.com)</u>.

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